(*b*) the total amount spent up to 1st August 1950 in all the Departments?

*A.*—**Sri H. C. DASAPPA** (Minister for Finance and Industries).—

(*a*) Rs. 13,44,500.

(*b*) Up to the end of June 1950—about Rs. 68,846-11-2. Further expenditure not booked yet.

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**Supply of power to Irrigation pumps in Kolar District.**

**Q.*—89. **Sri T. RAMACHAR** (Kolar District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of pending applications for supply of power to irrigation pumps in Kolar District;

(*b*) the number of cases in which power supply has been sanctioned together with dates of sanction;

(*c*) the number of cases in which the work has not been taken up in spite of sanction of power.

(*d*) the reasons for the delay in taking up the work;

(*e*) if supply of power has been given to industrial concerns such as rice and flour mills in preference to irrigation pumps?

(Talukwar figures may kindly be furnished).

*A.*—**Sri K. T. BHASHYAM** (Minister for Law and Labour).—

(*a*) 43.

(*b*) 77, dates of sanction range from June 1946 to August 1950.

(*c*) 58.

(*d*) Paucity of essential materials like Transformers, Copper wire, Poles, etc., and some of the parties have not observed the necessary formalities; some have not installed the Pump Sets and some have not sent their completion reports through licensed electrical contractors.

(*e*) Highest priority is being given to power supply to irrigation pumps and power supply to others like flour mills, etc., is being arranged only when it does not involve in the installation of additional transformers, etc.

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**Kolar Gold Mining Company.**

**Q.*—92. **Sri M. GOVINDA REDDY** (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are negotiating or propose to negotiate for the purpose of purchasing or acquiring the Kolar Gold Mining Company or its shares;

(*b*) the terms of such negotiations;

(*c*) by whom the negotiations are being made or are proposed to be made?

*A.*—**Sri H. C. DASAPPA** (Minister for Finance and Industries).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) Do not arise.

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**Aid from the Centre for Grow More Food Campaign.**

**Q.*—95. **Sri M. GOVINDA REDDY** (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

the sums that have been received from the Centre under the head "Grow More Food" Campaign?

*A.*—**Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—

A grant of Rs. 42,63,223 was drawn for the year 1949-50 ending 31st March 1950.

No amount has been drawn from the Centre between the period 1st April 1950 and 30th June 1950.

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**Cholera epidemic in several villages of Molakalmuru Taluk.**

**Q.*—96. **Sri M. GOVINDA REDDY** (Chitaldrug District—General.)—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the spread of cholera epidemic in several villages in Molakalmuru Taluk in the past two months;

(*b*) the arrangement made to protect the people and check the disease;